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MINUTES CITY OF COVINGTON ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, June 13, 2013

Council Chambers, City Hall 16720 SE 271st Street, Suite 100, Covington

CALL TO ORDER

Sandy Bisordi, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sandy Bisordi, Gini Cook, Ed White, Aunna Moriarty, Leslie Spero. Lesli Cohan had an excused absence (moved to excused by Ed; seconded by Gini). Jonathan Combs was not in attendance.

CITY STAFF PRESENT

Pat Patterson

GUEST PRESENTATON

Fred French, project manager for the Aquatic Center renovation, was on hand to discuss the Arts Commission's input into the podium feature outside the pool building. Apparently, in the best case scenario, the tile on the podium will be included in the final project and we would have an opportunity to influence the tile color/style. With that in mind, the group discussed the desirability of all 5 sides of the podium being tiled in blue, versus the top in blue and the sides in a darker color that blended in or complemented the building colors. The consensus was that the latter choice was preferable, making the podium look more like a pool and less like a blue cube set down in the patio. There was also discussion on the color of blue. The group felt the color, as rendered in the drawings, was a tad bright, but acknowledged that the drawings might not accurately convey the architect's choice. Ed and Sandy agreed to be the contacts with Fred, who will let them know when they can possibly help finalize these design elements.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONERS

Aunna Moriarty and Leslie Spero were welcomed and everyone took a minute to tell about themselves and their reasons for wanting to be a part of the Arts Commission.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

Ed moved to approve consent agenda; Leslie seconded. All approved Gini moved to approve agenda; Ed seconded. All approved.

CITIZEN/GUEST/STAFF COMMENTS

No citizens in attendance.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- Public Art Discussion: Ed handed out a map of the city on which he had identified the location of several potential art installations (notably, the roundabouts and city entryways). Pat shared that Don (the acting public works manager) will either have updated information for us on the bridge project before our next meeting, or someone will attend our next meeting to bring us up to date. Aunna agreed to join the Public Art subcommittee with Ed and Jonathan, and together they will work on formulating some decision cards for the upcoming budget process, possibly around the idea of engaging artists to submit designs for the gateway projects. Pat said that the decision card list is due around July 10th. Ed suggested we shoot for an August presentation to City Council on possible art project locations or find out the soonest possible date for such a presentation.
- Art Show: Pat put out the e-mail to artists that there would be no art show as part of Covington Days for 2013..

NEW BUSINESS

- Elections: With unanimous consent of all present, Sandy Bisordi was reinstalled as Chair; Ed White reinstalled as Vice-Chair; and Gini Cook reinstalled as Secretary.
- Pat shared that Sharon Scott was impressed with the Arts Commissioners and their willingness to help man the city booth at Covington Days. Aunna, Leslie and Gini will all be helping out.

CITIZEN/COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS

None

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

None

GROUP MEMORY

Group Memory was approved by all Commission members.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 PM.